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THE WAR.

TO-DAY'S TELEGRAMS.

(Reuters Service to the China Mail.)

THE ADVANCE IN PALESTINE.

IRISH, INDIANS AND CAPE COLOURED TROOPS ENGAGED.

AN EXCITING INCIDENT.

LONDON, Sept. 23.

Reuters Correspondent at Palestine Headquarters, telegraphing on the 20th, says:—

An exciting incident occurred when a Staff car with four Turkish officers rounding a corner was met by a British armoured car. The Turks defended themselves with revolvers, but they were all captured.

Throughout the day our aviators were bombing and machine-gunning roads packed with a confused mass of transport. Some of our airmen returned five times for fresh bombs. One flight, which holds the record, was 105 hours' flying on the 19th.

The Irish and Indians to-day attacked west of the Nabulus road, progressing splendidly, accompanied by a unit of Cape coloured troops, who captured a strong position called "Square Hill" as well as the first gun taken in this sector, showing great gallantry and push.

HOW THE ATTACK DEVELOPED.

LONDON, Sept. 23.

Mrs. Massey, a Press Correspondent at Palestine Headquarters, cables:—

General Allenby concealed his intentions in a most masterly manner. Launching a tremendous artillery and infantry attack which crushed a very intricate system of defences he then threw in the Cavalry which swept the plain near the coast.

The troops, prior to the battle, always moved at night and were hidden during the day in orange groves, our mastery of the air preventing enemy observers noticing any change in the dispositions in a country where marching troops raise huge columns of dust, and observation posts command a wide range. The advance of the Cavalry was a wonderful spectacle, British, Australian, and Indian troops moving rapidly over a wide expanse, crossing deep wadis and sandy wastes with remarkable ease.

TURKISH ARMY REDUCED TO 200,000.

GENERAL ALLENBY'S NAPOLEONIC PLAN.

PARIS, Sept. 22.

The Turkish Army in Palestine is in disorderly retreat. The flower of the Turkish Army has been routed by General Allenby, who has followed the plan of Napoleon's invasion of Syria, advancing along the maritime plain and cutting the communications between the strong places of Samaria and in the north. The Turkish Army is reduced to about 200,000 men, who are scattered in the four corners of the Turkish Empire. The victory ought to have a great influence on the course of the war.

French troops took part in the attack on the extreme wing, gallantly carrying their objectives. —Havas.

ITALY RECOGNISES YUGO-SLAVS.

PARIS, Sept. 22.

The Italian Cabinet has taken an important decision in declaring that the movement of the Yugo-Slavs towards independence corresponds with the principles for which the Entente is fighting. Italy retains the leadership of the movement for the liberation of the subjects of the Hapsburgs. —Havas.

THE WESTERN FRONT.

HOMERIC CHARACTER OF THE FIGHTING AROUND EPEHY.

BRITISH OPPOSED BY THREE DIVISIONS.

LONDON, Sept. 23.

Reuters Correspondent at British Headquarters, telegraphing yesterday, says:—

The enemy, who was reinforced, stubbornly resisted in the fighting this morning around Epehy. We carried many strong points, the most important being a web-like trench work called "The Quadrilateral," north-east of Holnon. The fighting was more of a hand-to-hand character than it has been so far in the present offensive.

We were opposed by the Alpine corps and two other divisions besides a new division which moved up from the reserve. We had captured Quenneumont farm by two o'clock. We afterwards withdrew from the Quenneumont farm.

The net gains for the day are satisfactory. We occupied or destroyed many outposts in a troublesome zone and inflicted heavy casualties.

The corporal of the Highland Light Infantry, who with six men held a post at Moeuvres, is a native of Epehy where he has his wife and two children. Twice during 48 hours he sent asking for relief. The first messenger was killed and the second wounded, but he reached the line just as the assault which brought the relief was about to be launched.

The fighting yesterday was limited to a front of 8,000 yards opposite Epehy and L'Empire. Battalions of dismounted yeomanry, Londoners, and East countrymen, in a heavy storm, attacked the bulge in the Hindenburg outpost system, which the Alpines and three other divisions defended. The ground was intersected with short trench saps and switches. The Germans were numerically superior and freely used bombs. The Tanks co-operated but the ground was most difficult and sometimes impossible owing to the mud. The struggle swayed the whole day. Much wire was encountered, handicapping progress. The enemy's high velocity shelling of Quenneumont Farm amounted to a barrage. Hence our withdrawal, but the farm is untenable by the enemy. The storm practically prevented co-operation by the aircraft which alone are able to spot machine-gun nests with which the rolling country is infested.

THE FRENCH FRONT.

ENEMY COUNTER-ATTACKS SHATTERED.

MORE GROUND GAINED.

LONDON, Sept. 23.

A French communiqué states:—South of St. Quentin, we extended our positions east of Hincourt and Le Fontaine, and reached the western outskirts of Verdun.

North of the Aisne three German counter-attacks were shattered north of Allemant before they could approach our lines.

We gained ground east of Sanno and took prisoners.

ANOTHER GERMAN BAREFACED LIE.

WHY GERMAN USED GAS.

PARIS, Sept. 22.

New evidence of German hypocrisy is furnished by the answer to the Red Cross appeal in regard to using asphyxiating gases. Germany claims that she has not used gas after the Entente, which is a barefaced lie. —Havas.

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INTIMATIONS

KOWLOON CRICKET CLUB.
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

MEMBERS ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING will be held in the Club House, MONDAY, September 30th, 1918, at 8.30 P.M.

BUSINESS:
Report and Accounts for 1917-1918.
Election of Officers for 1918-1919.
General.
L. J. BLACKBURN,
Hon. Secretary.

Kowloon, Sept. 20, 1918. 770

KOWLOON CRICKET CLUB.

MEMBERS ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the OPENING of the NEW GROUND will take place on SATURDAY, Sept. 28th, at 3.30 P.M. Members, Friends and Members of other Sporting Clubs are cordially invited to attend. There will be Cricket, Bowls and Tennis matches.

L. J. BLACKBURN,
Hon. Secretary.

Kowloon, Sept. 20, 1918. 771

THE CHINA-BORNEO COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of THE CHINA-BORNEO COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held at the Office of Messrs. GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., 67 Queen's Road Central, Hong Kong, on TUESDAY, the 1st day of October, 1918, at 11.30 o'clock in the forenoon when the subjoined Resolution which was passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on the 14th day of September, 1918, will be submitted for confirmation as a Special Resolution.

"That the new Articles already approved by this Meeting and for the purpose of identification thereof subscribed by the Chairman thereof, be and the same are hereby approved, and that such Articles be and they are hereby adopted as the Articles of the Company, to the exclusion of and in substitution for all the existing Articles thereof."

A copy of the new Articles referred to may be inspected by any shareholder of the said Company at the Company's Office in Hong Kong, or at the Office of Messrs. GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., (the Company's Solicitors) at Prince's Building, Victoria, aforesaid, on any weekday between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m.

Dated this 13th day of Sept., 1918.
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,
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THE DAIRY FARM ICE & COLD STORAGE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE TWENTY-SECOND ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company will be held at the Company's Town Office, 2 Lower Albert Road, Hong Kong, on SATURDAY, the 1st day of October, 1918, at 12 noon, for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st July, 1918.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 27th September to 5th October, 1918, both days inclusive.

By Order,
M. MANUK,
Secretary.

Hongkong, Sept. 20, 1918. 769

THE HONGKONG & WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SHARE REGISTER and TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 1st to the 5th day of October, 1918, both days inclusive. Warrants for the Interim Dividend can be obtained at the Office of the Company, 2 Queen's Buildings, on and after MONDAY, 7th October, 1918.

By Order of the Board,
R. M. DYER,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, Sept. 23, 1918. 774

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

SHAREHOLDERS are reminded of the EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company to be held on TUESDAY, the 3rd day of October, 1918, at 12 o'clock Noon at the Office of Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., 67 Queen's Road Central, Hong Kong, for the purpose of considering and if thought fit confirming a Special Resolution which was passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on the 19th day of September, 1918.

"That the regulations contained in the printed document submitted to the meeting and for the purpose of identification subscribed by the Chairman thereof, be and the same are hereby approved, and that such regulations be and they are hereby adopted as the Articles of the Company, to the exclusion of and in substitution for all the existing Articles thereof."

Dated the 20th day of Sept., 1918.
By Order of the Directors,
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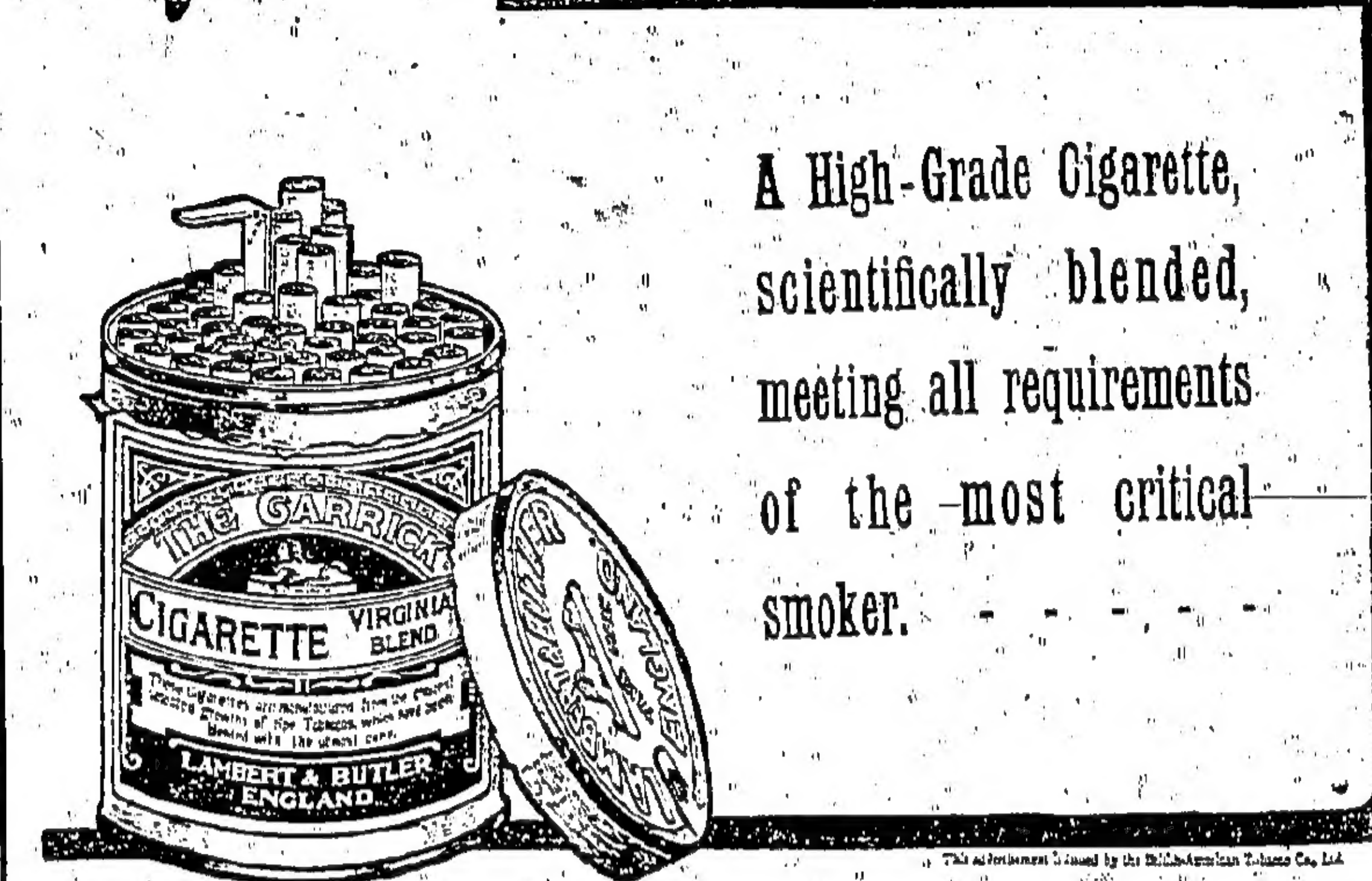
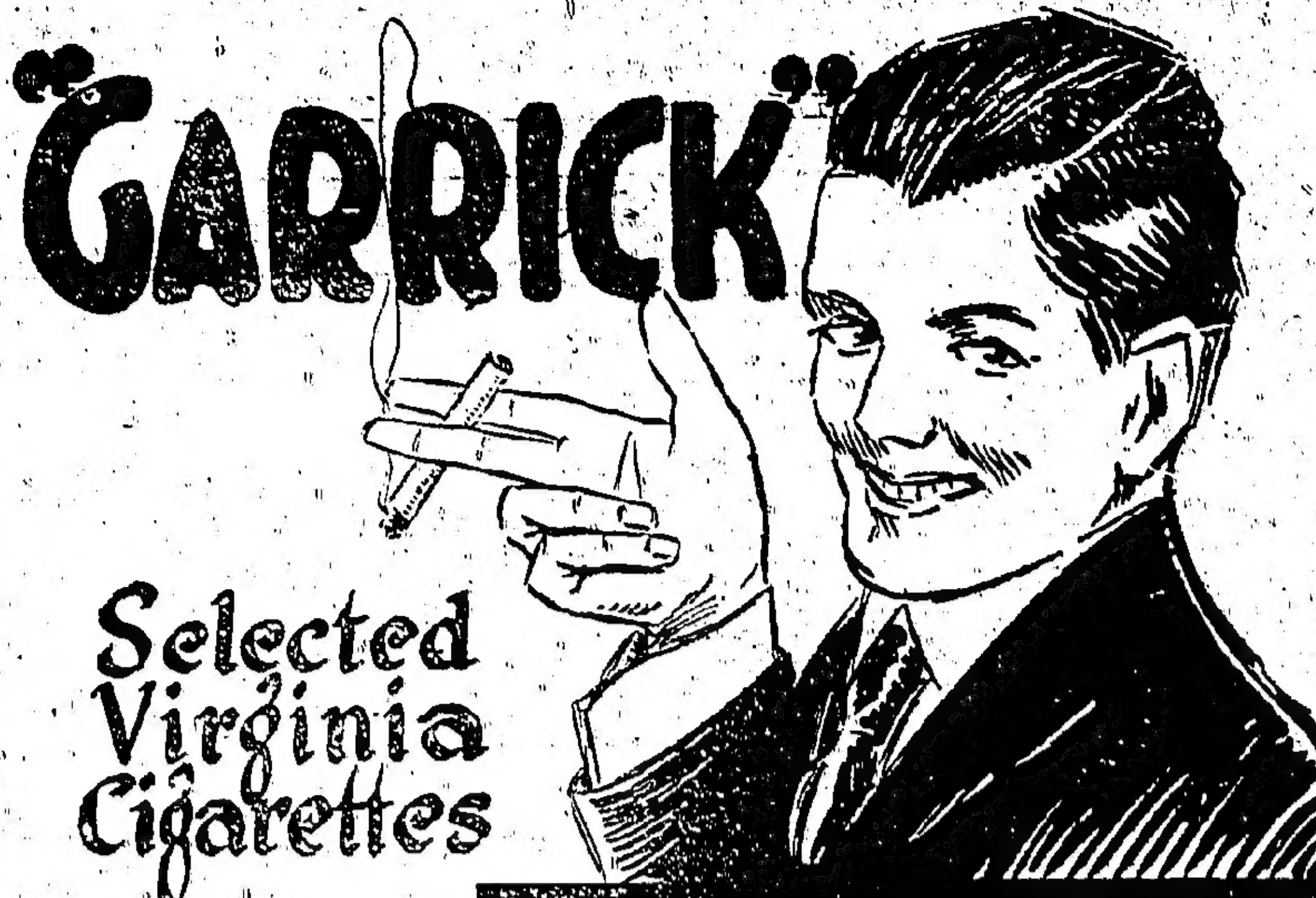
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BUSINESS AS USUAL
AFTER THE WAR.

ANOTHER ASPECT OF GERMANY'S DELUSION.

[By H. C. WELLS.]

In his idea that German shipping is indispensable to the peace settlement of the world, just as much as in his over-estimate of the value of German technical science, Herr Dernburg reckons without the will and temper of mankind outside Germany. I am persuaded that the shipping that now hides and we are told, accumulated in German harbours will be of scarcely more use to an unrepentant and aggressive Germany after the war than if it were already sunk to the bottom of the Atlantic. It will bring Germany neither food nor goods; it will carry no trade for Germany until Germany has abandoned her alleged "conquests" in the East, and become a trustworthy, democratic, and peace-loving State.

Many people even in England do not realise the extent and seriousness of the world movement to boycott German shipping after the war. This is a movement essentially of seafaring men round and about the world, a movement independent of any governments and treaties, and one that will go on in defiance of any governments and treaties. It is what the Germans would call a "hate" movement. It has been fed by a series of submarine atrocities, of which the "Black Prince" story is only one of the culminating examples, into such an organised and enduring will to exclude and injure Germany as no race nor nation, not even the scolding and outraged Red Indians in Colonial America, has ever had to face.

From 1871 up to the very outbreak of the present war no German sailor, it is well known, dared to join the crew of a French ship, and French ports were extremely uncomfortable places for Germans; that enduring detestation, however, was a pale thing to the bitter hostility that now awaits the German seaman and his passenger upon the high seas and in the ports of all this planet to-day. This movement against German seamen and ships is not confined to Allied countries; the seamen of Norway, Sweden and Denmark are joining in the detestation of South America; and its full significance is probably only understood as yet in seagoing circles.

I have recently had a talk with that strange figure of will and passion, Mr. Havelock Wilson, the President of the British Seamen and Firemen's Union. He is a very ominous figure indeed for Germany, because he is a very representative figure. He sits in an upper room in Victoria Street, twisted and crippled by rheumatism, scheming to draw together the willing threads of this world-wide net against German ships and seamen. He told me of how the transport workers of the world are being drawn into the scheme—how he hopes to bring in the Americans, how he expects to control the coal-

ing of German ships—how, side by side with the Seamen and Firemen's Union there grows up his big Merchant Seamen's League, open to landmen of all sorts in sympathy with this plan.

"We are going to boycott German goods," he told me, "as well as ships and men. Any ship with any German goods on board will be a tainted ship, and it will neither sail nor unload nor get coal if we can prevent it. In a little while we shall have things so arranged, that before coal starts for any sculling station in the world we shall be sure that it is not going to 'coal' a German ship."

"How much of this will you be able to carry out?" I asked.

"Every bit of it," said Mr. Havelock Wilson. "However the war ends, whatever treaties they make... you don't realise the passion in it—the strength of will."

He began to tell me story after story—they were familiar enough, except that his passion coloured them of murders, deliberate drownings, the mockery of wounded and dying men, that has made the U-boat and the German name loathed wherever seamen gather. "Do you think men are going to forget that?" he asked. "Or that...?"

"And there is to be no peace?"

"Not while Germany is an Empire—not while she clings to militarism. No!" Here is something like a natural force at work against Imperialist Germany, a natural force she has awakened by her own acts. Long after the war ends Hamburg may still enjoy the quiet of a blockaded city if she will not disavow the dream of a German militant Imperialism, scheming against the world. And while the native and natural resentment of all the seaports of the world thus threatens Germany, other men, with less passion but with no less determination, are planning schemes for protecting against her that would have been incredible four years ago.

THE WORLD ORGANISING AGAINST GERMANY. Thinkers like Herr Dernburg predicate the Great Britain of 1920 as though she was going to be an unchanged continuation of the Great Britain of 1918, as over, not to their enemies, but to their friends—the friends of freedom. And now, in Siberia, in France, in Italy, they are fighting for democracy.

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TELEGRAMS.

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SHIPPING LOSSES.

AMERICAN SHIPBUILDING PROGRAMME.

SUBMARINE LOSSES TO BE SOON OVERCOME.

Washington, Sept. 23. The Shipping Board states that with the Allied and American construction working with full headway the total of the submarine war losses will soon be overcome. The submarines have sunk at present or destroyed 7,137,000 deadweight tons over the construction, but 3,795,000 tons of enemy shipping have been seized.

The United States is working 208 shipyards, comprising 1,020 shipways.

The American construction programme includes 2,603 ships of a tonnage of 1,000,000 tons.

A MEMORIAL TO GERMAN VANDALISM.

LORD DERBY'S SUGGESTION.

Paris, Sept. 22. At a French and American dinner at the Cercle Volney in Paris, Lord Derby suggested that the great monuments destroyed by the Germans should not be restored but left as the best memorial to the heroic dead, and to the German shame. Germany, in the name of justice, had to be punished.—Havas.

METZ PANIC-STRIKEN.

BANKS REMOVED.

Paris, Sept. 22. The population of Metz are panic-stricken. The banks have been removed with their cash to Karlsruhe. About 40 shells from long-range guns have fallen on Metz.—Havas.

PEACE BASED ON INTERNATIONAL PRINCIPLES.

THE QUESTION OF ALSACE-LORRAINE.

Paris, Sept. 22. At the meeting of the Inter-Allied Labour Conference, Mr. Arthur Henderson said that Alsace-Lorraine was not a question of territorial settlement, but International Law. The Brest-Litovsk and Bukharest Treaties were an almost insurmountable barrier to a peace based on International principles.—Havas.

BATTLE CRYSTALLISED AT THREE POINTS.

ENEMY'S BEST DIVISIONS CONCENTRATED.

Paris, Sept. 22. On the Western Front the battle has crystallised at three points—the eastern and northern outskirts of Meusevres and east of Epehy. The Germans are straining to keep these three strategic points. The enemy's best divisions are here. General Mangin's Army continues the flattening-out process, fighting tremendously hard.—Havas.

THE LANCASHIRE COTTON STRIKE.

RESUMPTION OF WORK EXPECTED.

London, Sept. 19. The cotton strike is regarded as practically settled and the resumption of work is expected early next week.

THE SILVER MARKET.

London, Sept. 20. The Silver Market is steady.

"RATTLE" FOR PRAYER.

Bishop Taylor Smith, speaking at the Mansion House, suggested that at mid-day the rattle might be sounded at the Exchange at the Baltic, and such like places as a signal to the people in this great City to indulge in two minutes' prayer.

AMERICAN SCHOLARSHIPS FOR FRENCH WOMEN.

The American Emergency Council on Education recently offered, on behalf of the Association of American Colleges, 100 scholarships in American universities to French women, and the offer has been particularly appreciated by M. Pichon, the French Minister of Public Instruction.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

THE WESTERN FRONT.

BRITISH POSITION UNCHANGED.

London, Sept. 22. Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:—
A hostile attack north-westward of La Bassée, reported this morning, was not pressed and our position is unchanged.
In local encounters we slightly improved our positions southward of Villers Guislain, and in the neighbourhood of Zillebeke.

AVIATION REPORT.

London, Sept. 22. Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig, reporting on aviation, states:—
Flying operations were carried out on Saturday, despite clouds and wind, 18 tons of bombs being dropped. We destroyed seven hostile machines and drove down three out of control. Eight of our machines were missing. We brought down three enemy bombers at night-time. All our night-fliers returned.

ARTILLERY ACTIVITY ON FRENCH FRONT.

London, Sept. 22. A French communiqué says:—
The night was marked only by somewhat considerable artillery activity in the St. Quentin region and north of the Aisne.

On the Vesle front we repulsed two enemy *cavalry* attacks.
Our detachments penetrated the enemy lines in Champagne and Lorraine and brought back prisoners.

GERMAN REPORT.

London, Sept. 22. A wireless German official message says:—
The English, yesterday morning, launched a great attack between Gouzeaucourt Wood and Hargreave. Anticipating the attack, we had removed our defence eastward of Epehy to the old English positions between Villers Guislain and Bullecourt. The attack broke down and a second attempt also failed. Although the English temporarily penetrated the south-eastern portion of Villers Guislain, and Quenemont Farm, they were thrown back by a counter-attack.

THE ITALIAN FRONT.

ENEMY ATTACK REPULSED.

London, Sept. 22. An Italian official message says:—
The enemy attacked the salient of Point 703 at Dossalto, which was admirably defended by the Czech-Slovaks. He gained a footing, but was driven out with heavy losses, the situation being completely re-established.

AUSTRIAN REGIMENT MUTINIES.

RED FLAG UNFURLED.

Stockholm, Sept. 22. A message from Kiev says that an Austrian regiment at Rovno refused to go to the Anglo-French front and unfurled the red flag. Two other regiments followed the example.

THE BALKAN FRONT.

SERBIAN ADVANCE.

London, Sept. 21. A Serbian communiqué states:—
We advanced over 20 kilometres northward on Sept. 20 and are now several kilometres north of Kavarda. We have captured 12 more guns. German and Bulgarian reinforcements are continually arriving.

ITALIAN ADVANCE BEGUN.

London, Sept. 22. An Italian official message says:—
In Macedonia at the Cerna bend, in conjunction with a general Allied offensive, the Italians began a vigorous advance on Saturday, capturing the enemy's front positions.

GERMAN CORRESPONDENTS VIEW.

Amsterdam, Sept. 22. The *Koelhaische Volkszeitung's* Berlin correspondent says:—
Even if further territory is abandoned in Macedonia, that need not cause uneasiness. We understand that fresh Bulgarian troops will reach the front.

GERMAN POLITICAL CRISIS.

STARTED WITH VON KUEHLMANN'S DISMISSAL.

Amsterdam, Sept. 22. The *Tagblatt* states that the German political crisis began with the dismissal of von Kuehlmann whose successor, von Hintz, has so far been a complete disappointment, especially in the Vienna affair. Nobody objects to Count Hertling if he is willing to form a Parliamentary Government, but if the rumour that Count Hertling refuses to admit Socialists into the Government is confirmed, the Chancellor would certainly lose the confidence of the Majority parties. It becomes more and more certain that the decision rests with the Centre.

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THE PALESTINE OFFENSIVE.

INTERESTING SITUATION DEVELOPING.

London, Sept. 22. Reuter learns that the situation in Palestine is developing in a most interesting way. The enemy in the neighbourhood of the Jordan is stubbornly holding his front, but everything westwards has been broken down. While one Allied line is advancing northwards, another is progressing towards the Jordan, taking the Turkish resistance in the flank.

18,000 PRISONERS TAKEN.

London, Sept. 22. A Palestine communiqué states:—
By nine o'clock on the evening of Saturday our left wings of infantry, pivoting on their left about Birasur, had reached the line Beitdijan-Samaria Birasur, shepherding the enemy on and westward of the Jerusalem-Nablus road into the arms of our cavalry operating southwards from Jenin and Baisan. Other enemy columns attempted to escape into the Jordan Valley in the direction of Jisr Damie, which the enemy will hold. These columns suffered severely from being constantly bombed and machine-gunned from low altitudes. We held Nazareth and the rail and road passages over the Jordan at Jisr Damie. Eighteen thousand prisoners and 190 guns have been counted. Our losses were abnormally light, in view of the importance of the advance.

A TURKISH REPORT.

London, Sept. 22. A Turkish communiqué dated Friday, dealing with the British attack, speaks of most violent night-long fighting on Sept. 18 with forces continually re-inforced on a wide front east of the Jerusalem-Nablus road, and claims that the attack was arrested on the line Jalud-Wadi Abu-Zerkia, but admits that after two hours of most violent bombardment, supported by naval guns, and desperate hand-to-hand fighting, the British penetrated the Turkish positions between the coast and the Lydda-Tulkarm railway. It adds that the Turks withdrew to Tulkarm.

RESTORING THE EASTERN FRONT.

ORGANISING RUSSIAN ARMY.

Vladivostok, Sept. 22. The Czech Commander, General Gaide, interviewed by Reuter, illuminates the significance of the Kaiser's warning as regards the restoration of the Eastern Front. He stated that the organisation of the Russian Army behind the Urals is proceeding apace and already one of 50,000 has been mobilised, although at present it is lacking in the essentials of military equipment. Three Divisions are immediately needed to hold the Urals and to allow the organisation to continue. Meanwhile the German tentacles have closed on the Urals. The Omsk Government is sufficiently strong to restore civil administration throughout Siberia. General Horvath's political rôle has ended in martial law being declared at Vladivostok.

GERMANS TO JOIN SOVIET TROOPS.

Peking, Sept. 22. The Kaiser on Sept. 10 ordered all Germans in Russia fit for duty to join the Soviet troops to oppose Japan and the Allies, who threaten to restore the Eastern Front.

BAKU REPORTED ON FIRE.

ATTEMPTED ASSASSINATION OF TROTSKY.

Amsterdam, Sept. 22. A message from Kiev via Leipzig says that an attempt to assassinate M. Trotsky at Kurik failed. The soldier who fired missed.

JAPAN RECOGNISES CZECHOSLOVAKS.

Tokyo, Sept. 22. The Czech-Slovaks have been recognised as co-belligerents against the common enemy.

THE PEACE OFFENSIVE.

HOW BELGIUM WAS APPREOCHED.

Amsterdam, Sept. 22. The *Cologne Gazette's* Berlin correspondent admits that Count Törring approached the Belgian Government about peace. He says that Count Törring, who is related to the Belgian Royalty by marriage, approached the Government privately, acting on the conviction that Belgium was most interested in a speedy peace.

SHIPBUILDING AT SEATTLE.

Seattle, September 14. The thirtieth steamer from one shipyard has been launched here, making the total launchings this year for this yard alone 367,000 tons, comprising 27 steamers of 6,800 tons each and three of 10,000 tons each.—American Naval Wireless.

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Mr. R. C. Jensen (monthly sub.)	5
Staff—General Post Office (monthly sub.)	31.05
Ladies Working Party of the Union Church (monthly sub.)	20
Lodge L. O. L. 802, for quarter to 31/12/18	15
Mr. G. E. Wakeman (monthly sub.)	25
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Mr. J. C. Wildin (monthly sub.)	5
Per Institution of Engineers & Shipbuilders of Hongkong	220
Monthly sub. for August	70
Donation from 37 Members	10
Halsey May Institute for Women (Monthly sub.)	10
Mr. E. B. L. Dowbiggin (Monthly sub.)	25
Royal H. K. Golf Club—Entrance fees for H. K. The Governor's Cup	40
Per H. K. Golf Club—Members subs. for July	124
Collections from Boxes at Peak Hotel, H. K. Hotel, Star Ferry Pier, Peak Tram Station & Q. R.	613
Mr. A. Stornberg	5.47
H. G. E. (Monthly sub.)	20
Messrs. Cawesjee Pallanjo & Co. (Monthly sub.)	20
Mr. R. B. Cooper (Monthly sub.)	10
Police Club (Monthly sub.)	16
Talkoo Club sub. for Aug. from 17 Members	56
Anonymous Monthly Subscriptions	1,200
Prisoners of War:—Per H. K. Club	3
3 Subscribers (Monthly sub.)	120
Summer Residents of Cheung Chow per E. C. Mitchell	33.48
Mr. A. W. Smith (Monthly sub.)	60
Summer Residents of Cheung Chow per E. C. Mitchell	5
Staff—Messrs. Butterfield & Swire	40
H. K. Police per Sgt. Boulger (Monthly sub.)	27
Blinded Soldiers and Sailors:—Royal H. K. Golf Club—Members (monthly sub.)	10
Ladies Bridge Book (monthly sub.)	11.25
Messrs. Fattal & Co. (monthly sub.)	20
Assaymosis monthly subscriptions	50
Red Cross:—Half additional contribution a/c Baseball, Games, per Anderson Meyer & Co., Ltd. (monthly sub.)	8
Per H. K. Club—1 subscriber (monthly sub.)	10
Summer Residents of Cheung Chow per E. C. Mitchell	24.67
Per Anderson Meyer & Co., Ltd.	1
Staff—General Post Office	18.25
Amoy Customs Club	47
Ranford	10
Officers Families Fund:—Per H. K. Club—1 subscriber (monthly sub.)	1
Mr. H. B. L. Dowbiggin (monthly sub.)	25
Royal H. K. Golf Club—Members for July	1
H. E. Sir Henry May, K.C.M.G., cheque \$25 on 3/7/18	137.39
Anonymous monthly subscriptions	56
Dreadnought Hospital:—Per H. K. Club—1 subscriber (monthly sub.)	5
Royal H. K. Golf Club—Members for July	5
Pips Fund:—Mr. F. G. Becke (monthly sub.)	10
Lord Roberts' Memorial Workshop:—Per H. K. Club—2 subscribers (monthly sub.)	25
Blue Cross:—Half proceeds of Battle of Yacht, Dawn per Mr. Finch	401
Tobacco Fund:—Per H. K. Club—1 subscriber (monthly sub.)	3
Soldiers and Sailors' Families Association:—Mr. H. A. Nisbet (Monthly sub.)	25
Soldiers Club Association:—H. E. Sir Henry May, K.C.M.G., cheque \$25 on 3/7/18	137.39
Already acknowledged	\$ 6,523.97
Amounts remitted, &c.	\$1,192,129.35
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THE CARD PARTY.



Mrs. S.—I have struck upon a brilliant idea. The men, I hear, are playing golf and tennis for War Bond Tickets. Hubby has quite a few chances already, so instead of the usual silver trinkets I have decided at all my card parties, until the end of the year, to give War Bond tickets as prizes. Wouldn't it be lovely if one of my guests won the \$25,000—and at this rate of exchange too!

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